

REMARKS

The above referenced application has been reviewed in light of the Notice of Allowance mailed February 20, 2007. By the present amendment, Applicants have amended Claims 3, 7 and 8 herein. Applicants respectfully submit that the claims presently pending in the application, namely Claims 1-32, do not introduce new subject matter, are fully supported by the application and are patentable over the prior art of record.

Claims 3, 7 and 8 have been amended herein to correct minor informalities related to antecedent basis issues.

Prompt and favorable reconsideration of the claims as presented and/or as amended herein is earnestly solicited.

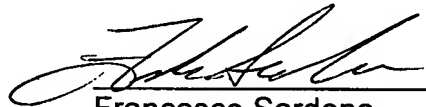
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that Claims 1-32 are in proper format and are patentably distinct from the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone interview may facilitate prosecution of this application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone Applicants' undersigned representative at the number indicated below.

Please charge any deficiency as well as any other fee(s) that may become due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and/or 1.17 at any time during the pendency of this application, or credit any overpayment of such fee(s), to Deposit Account No. 21-0550.

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